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SUBJECT: IAN SMITH AND NEWSWEEK

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1. YOU SHOULD TELL HAWKINS THAT THE NEWSWEEK REPORT WHICH THE SECRETARY REFERRED TO CAME AS A RESULT OF AN INTERVIEW WHICH ARNAUD DE BORCHGRAVE CONDUCTED WHILE HE WAS IN SALISBURY. WE UNDERSTAND HE TALKED WITH "RIGHT WING CIRCLES" WHO REPRESENTED THEMSELVES AS SPEAKING FOR OFFICIAL OPINION.

2. IT IS IN ALL OUR INTERESTS TO AVOID LEAKS WHICH HAVE A SEEMINGLY AUTHORITATIVE CAST BUT WHICH ARE INFACIT DISTORTIONS OF THE TRUTH. ROBINSON

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